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A comprehensive course tailored for police and security officers, focusing on the crucial initial stages of responding to and investigating rape and serious sexual assault incidents—a critical aspect of first responder duties.

Designed specifically for those handling reports of rape and sexual assault, this course equips participants, operating at a first responder level, with essential skills to take immediate, supportive action while initiating effective investigations without compromising evidence.

The course will develop capability to:

**Design Comprehensive Victim-Centric Protocols:** Participants will synthesize knowledge of victim barriers and needs, crafting victim-centric protocols that prioritize survivor safety and support while initiating an effective investigation. They'll integrate strategies to create safe environments for survivors, ensuring a compassionate and proactive first response.





Formulate Strategic Plans for The Golden Hour: Engaging with case studies and scenario-based learning, learners will synthesize the concept of "The Golden Hour" into strategic plans, identifying and prioritizing crucial actions within this critical timeframe. They'll create detailed protocols ensuring prompt and precise responses to preserve evidence while providing immediate support to survivors.

**Develop Specialized Investigative Approaches:** Participants will synthesize the five essential building blocks of an initial investigation, devising specialized approaches that balance investigative rigor with victim sensitivity. They'll create innovative strategies for fast-track actions specific to SGBV incidents, demonstrating a synthesized understanding of effective investigative methodologies within sensitive contexts.

## Why this course?

Through engaging case study group work and interactive sessions, attendees will delve into understanding the barriers victims face when reporting, emphasizing the paramount importance of creating a safe and supportive environment for survivors.

Central to this training is unravelling the concept of "The Golden Hour," elucidating its significance in the initial stages of an investigation.

Participants will learn the precise actions to be taken within this critical timeframe, ensuring swift and effective response while preserving evidence integrity.

Fast-track actions pertinent to incidents of sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) will be outlined, empowering officers to navigate these sensitive situations with agility and efficiency.





## Who is this course for

Designed for those with a foundational understanding of the first response and initial investigation processes, this course is suitable for, investigators, experienced officers wanting to develop their skills and new recruits eager to grasp the essential skills required in these critical situations.

Delivered nationally or internationally, the course is accessible and facilitated by interpreters as needed. Join us and empower yourself to make a difference in the crucial early stages of these sensitive cases.

For further information please contact us at admin@LondonPolicing.co.uk and a member of the executive team will be in touch with you.

